

## General Assembly

## Substitute Bill No. 6336

January Session, 2009

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## AN ACT CONCERNING NURSES PURSUING ADVANCED DEGREES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) (a) The Department of
- 2 Higher Education, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees of the
- 3 Connecticut State University System, may develop a graduate
- 4 assistantship program for nurses who are enrolled as full or part-time
- 5 matriculated students in the Doctor of Education program for nursing
- 6 education at Southern Connecticut State University and Western
- 7 Connecticut State University. The board shall take all feasible steps to
- 8 maximize federal funds available to support such program.
- 9 (b) The Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State University
- 10 System may waive the payment of tuition for nurses who are enrolled
- 11 as full-time matriculated students in such Doctor of Education
- 12 program and provide at least twenty hours of service per week in
- 13 teaching or research to said universities pursuant to such graduate
- 14 assistantship program.
- 15 (c) Said board of trustees may provide assistantship payments in an
- amount to be determined by the board to those nurses who are
- 17 enrolled as part-time matriculated students in such Doctor of
- 18 Education program and participate in such graduate assistantship
- 19 program.

- Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) The Board of Governors of
- 21 Higher Education shall take all feasible steps to maximize available
- 22 federal funds in order to establish a nursing program at Northwestern
- 23 Connecticut Community College.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sections.		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	New section
Sec. 2	July 1, 2009	New section

## **HED** Joint Favorable Subst.